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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AA United States Patent No. 5,708,361
AB United States Patent No. 4,825,162'
AL German OS 195 05 062
AM Translated Japanese Application 20000309573
AN Translated Japanese Application 11028774

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

References AA and AB were identified and discussed in the present specification, and Applicant stands by the statements in the specification concerning the teachings of those references.

References AL, AM and AN were cited by the German Patent and Trademark Office during examination of the counterpart German application. A translation of Reference AL is not readily available to the Applicant, however, an English language abstract is attached thereto. References AM and AN are translations of respective

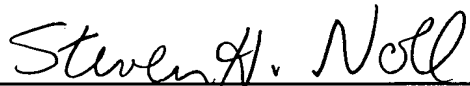
Japanese applications, and were provided in that form by the German Patent and Trademark Office, without a copy of the underlying Japanese application.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

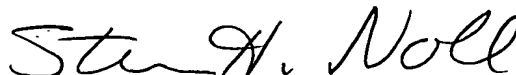
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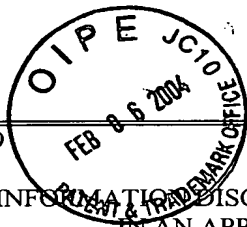
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